Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 18 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 19 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 17 Feb 2023 at 14:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for general developments. Medium for cloud details and timings.

Headline for Saturday 18 Feb 2023: Mostly cloudy. Best of the brightness in the north. Occasional rain and snow.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 18 Feb 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Cloudy	Cloudy	Mist	Heavy snow	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
70%	60%	60%	30%	20%	40%	40%	30%

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Weather: Overnight snow and low level rain, dying out around dawn. Mainly dry during daylight hours, the best of the brightness around Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the north. The cloud more extensive and lower through the Trossachs and Arrochar Alps, patchy snow possible with rain below 600m. The rain and snow becoming more widespread around dusk into mid-evening, again most likely in the south.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60% in the north and 30% in the south during daylight hours.

Low Cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud, base around 600m in the south, and around 1000m in the north, but lowering to 300m at times in early and late rain and snow. Visibility moderate to very poor in rain, snow and cloud, but often good or very good during daylight hours lower down and in the north.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/23 SE	22/27 NE	20/25 NE	8/11 E	6/8 S	7/10 E	8/11 NE	12/16 N	16/20 SW
900	17/21 SE	9/13 SE	16/20 E	10/13 E	7/10 SE	5/8 SE	5/8 NE	6/10 NW	9/13 SW
600	7/9 SE	14/18 NE	18/23 NE	10/13 NE	4/7 E	5/8 E	6/9 NE	6/9 N	9/13 SW
300	6/10 E	12/19 NE	11/17 N	4/7 N	3/5 N	4/8 E	5/10 N	5/8 N	5/9 SW
Glen	5/8 E	11/22 NE	11/23 N	4/11 NE	5/10 E	5/10 NE	5/11 N	4/10 W	3/8 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-3/-10	-2/-9	-3/-10	-3/-8	-4/-7	-3/-8	-4/-8	-4/-10	-4/-11
900	-2/-8	-1/-5	-2/-8	-2/-7	-1/-5	-1/-4	-1/-4	-2/-6	-2/-7
600	1/-2	0/-5	0/-6	1/-4	1/-1	2/-1	1/-2	1/-2	1/-3
300	3/0	2/-2	2/-2	2/0	3/2	4/3	4/2	3/1	2/-0
Glen	4/2	4/-0	4/0	4/3	6/4	7/6	6/4	4/2	3/2
Freezing Level*	800m	800m	600m	600m	600m	700m	700m	600m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing further to add.

Forecast for Sunday 19 Feb 2023
Weather: Some dry and clear spells overnight with an early frost. Cloudy and overcast during daylight hours with outbreaks of rain and drizzle, persistent and occasionally heavy. Further heavy rain expected in the evening. Summit gales and significant wind chill.

Maximum wind: Southwest 35mph gusts 50mph with a significant wind chill.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Nil to 20%

Low Cloud and visibility: Patches near or above the summits during the early hours, otherwise extensive cloud, base 300 to 600m, occasionally below 300m near the west coast. Visibility often moderate to very poor.

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero Celsius early hours, rising plus 10 Celsius during the day.
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius soon rising plus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: Well down during the early hours, but soon rising above the summits.

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